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TITLE: PHOTON REDUCING AGENTS FOR FLUORESCENT ASSAYS

This is a request for filing a **continuation** application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of prior U.S. application Serial No. 09/122,477, filed on July 23, 1998, now pending.

Under 35 USC § 120, this application claims the benefit of prior U.S. Application Serial No. 09/122,477, filed July 23, 1998, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/054,519, filed August 1, 1997, the contents of which are incorporated by reference in their entirety herein.

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